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Transitioning Industrial Clusters to propel green growth

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PETALING JAYA: The Transitioning Industrial Clusters (TIC) initiative will be adopted as a national agenda to spur the growth of the green economy, says Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The Prime Minister said this initiative serves as a strategic measure aimed at uniting companies and public institutions to achieve the objective.

“It also creates more high-skilled jobs and reduces carbon emissions,” he said.

TIC is an initiative designed to promote collaboration and unified action aimed at fostering economic growth, safeguarding employment and lowering carbon dioxide equivalent emissions within industrial clusters.

In a Facebook post after chairing the Third Meeting of the National Digital Economy and Fourth Industrial Revolution Council yesterday, Anwar said he was impressed with Sarawak’s plans to develop a TIC in Bintulu.



He said the facility could contribute an extra RM12bil to the national gross domestic product, create 19,000 jobs and cut carbon emissions by 21.35 million tonnes by 2040.

“This initiative aligns with Sarawak’s aspirations towards the net-zero carbon goal and strengthens its position as a leader in Malaysia’s green industry.”

He added that they also discussed the implementation of GovTech Malaysia during the meeting, including the MyGOV Malaysia application, which

serves as the government’s sole digital portal.

“The rakyat can engage online with various government agencies without having to queue at the counters.

“This reflects the government’s efforts to ensure its services can be accessed easily, efficiently and transparently,” Anwar said.

He also touched on the idea of expanding the MyDigital ID use to the private sector.

“We must build a safe, holistic and trusted digital ecosystem not only for government matters but

also one that aids in people’s daily lives and future business activities,” he said.

The Prime Minister also said all agencies and government-linked companies entrusted with the bumiputra development mandate must continue to be the drivers of policy and key implementers of government initiatives.

He said Permodalan Nasional Bhd and Pelaburan Hartanah Bhd must also double their efforts to raise investment literacy among the public.

“Perbadanan Usahawan Nasio-

Future-proof solutions:

(From left) Permodalan Nasional Bhd Group chief executive officer Datuk Abdul Rahman Ahmad, Group chairman Raja Tan Sri Arshad Raja Tun Uda, Anwar, Finance Minister II Datuk Seri Amir Hamzah Azizan and Yayasan Pelaburan Bumiputra trustee Tan Sri Ambrin Buang at the Bumiputra Investment Foundation board meeting. — Picture courtesy of Anwar’s Facebook

nal Bhd must remain committed to empowering bumiputra entrepreneurs through access to financing and support in enhancing business capacity and capabilities,” he said on Facebook after chairing a Bumiputra Investment Foundation board meeting to review the performance of companies involved.

Anwar said strengthening the competitiveness of the domestic economy and ensuring sustainable returns for unit trust holders is crucial in facing global economic uncertainties.